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Washington, DC 20201

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Ms. Rica Lewis-Payton
Executive Director
Division of Medicaid
239 North Lamar Street, Suite 801
Jackson, MS 39201-1399

Dear Ms. Lewis-Payton:

We are pleased to inform you that Mississippi's request for a section 1115 Medicaid demonstration project for family planning services, project number 11W00157-4, has been approved for a 5-year period, from the date of implementation.

Our approval of this demonstration (and the Federal matching funds provided thereunder) is contingent upon compliance with the enclosed Special Terms and Conditions (STCs). These STCs also define the nature, character, and extent of anticipated Federal involvement in the project. This award is subject to our receiving your written acceptance of the award and STCs within 30 days of the date of this letter.

Under authority of section 1115(a)(2) of the Social Security Act (the Act), the following expenditures that would otherwise not be regarded as expenditures under section 1903 of the Act will, for a 5-year period beginning from the date of implementation, be regarded as expenditures under the State's title XIX plan:

Expenditures permitting the State to extend Medicaid eligibility for family planning services to women with income at or below 185 percent of the Federal poverty level.

Your project officer is Ms. Julie Jones, who can be contacted at (410) 786-3039, or via e-mail at jjones5@cms.hhs.gov. Communications regarding program and administrative matters should be submitted to the project officer at the following address:

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
Center for Medicaid and State Operations
Family and Children's Health Programs Group
Division of Integrated Health Services
7500 Security Boulevard, Mailstop S2-01-16
Baltimore, MD 21244-1850

You may also contact Andrea Johnson in our Atlanta regional office at (404) 562-7410. If you have additional questions, please contact Richard Chambers, Director, Family and Children's Health Programs Group, Center for Medicaid and State Operations, CMS at (410) 786-5647.

We look forward to working with you during the course of the demonstration.

Sincerely,

/s/

Thomas A. Scully

Enclosure

cc: Andrea Johnson, CMS Atlanta Regional Office IV